



Doubling the Numbers in the

Southeast Region

could raise average household income by \$22,000.

This area encompasses 22 counties and 4 area development districts with a population of 566,768. Eleven percent of the population has a bachelor's degree or above, and 38 percent has less than a high school diploma.

This region is Eastern Kentucky University's area of geographic responsibility, but it also includes 7 other postsecondary institutions, 35 K-12 public school districts, and 22 county adult education programs. All of these providers play a vital role in this plan.

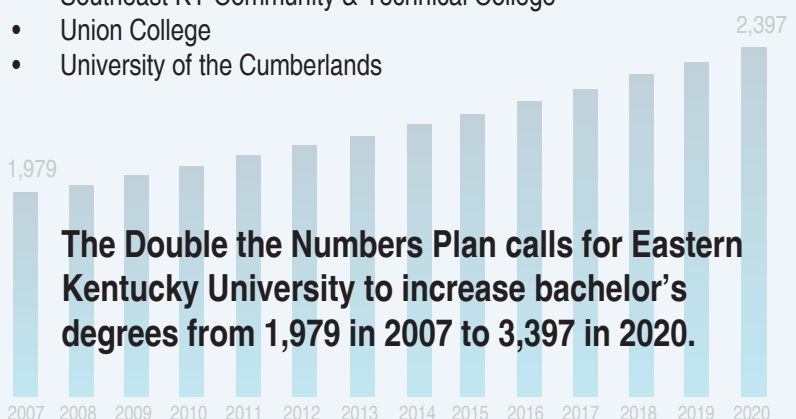
The table below highlights the increases needed from this region for the state to reach its Double the Numbers goal. **The bachelor's degree target reflects the contributions of the 8 public and independent postsecondary partners in this area.**

Strategies	2020 Target
1. Increase high school graduates	7,039
2. Increase GED graduates	2,957
3. Increase 2- to 4-year transfers	1,872
4. Increase bachelor's degrees produced	4,692
5. Import bachelor's degree holders to KY	10,414

Area public and independent (AIKCU) colleges and universities

- Berea College
- Centre College
- Eastern Kentucky University
- Hazard Community & Technical College
- Somerset Community College
- Southeast KY Community & Technical College
- Union College
- University of the Cumberlands

If this region doubles the numbers, average household income could increase from \$23,043 to \$45,237.



The Double the Numbers Plan calls for Eastern Kentucky University to increase bachelor's degrees from 1,979 in 2007 to 3,397 in 2020.

Eastern Kentucky University is a comprehensive university serving 15,763 undergraduate and graduate students.